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38. A method of Claim 37 wherein the herpesvirus is selected from the group consisting of HSV-1, HSV-2, VZV, EBV, CMV, HHV-6 and HHV-7.

39. A method of Claim 37 wherein the herpesvirus is HSV-1 or HSV-2.

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40. A method of Claim 37 wherein the mutation is in the gene or genes encoding the proteins ICP8 or ICP27.

41. A method of Claim 37 wherein said herpesvirus further encodes one or more heterologous genes.--

SUMMARY

The claims are in condition for allowance in view of the amendments made herein. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicants' Attorney would be helpful in expediting the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' Attorney at (617) 861-6240.

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